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Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report

August, 2010

Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....988
Number of items* contained in these cases.....1769

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month..... 1190
Number of items analyzed this month.....2041

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 4644
Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 102 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed..... 165

Analysis Backlog

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	770	17%
16-30 days old	939	20%
31-50 days old	861	19%
Greater than 50 days	2074	45%
TOTAL	4644	100%

* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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Analysis Profile

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	41	2%
16-30 days	343	17%
31-50 days	79	4%
Greater than 50 days	1578	77%
TOTAL	2041	100%

Totals for Drugs of Interest

Drug Type	Number of Items
Marijuana	287
Cocaine	399
Heroin	257
Others	1098
TOTAL	2041

Trafficking Items Analyzed

Drug Type	Number of Items
Heroin	7
Cocaine	14
Oxycodone	22
TOTAL	43

Calendar Year (2010) Totals through the End of the Month

Items Submitted	14356
Items Analyzed	20070